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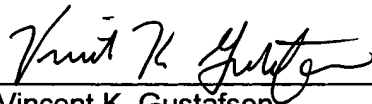
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- Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (1 page)
- Form PTO-1449 (1 page)
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Respectfully submitted,


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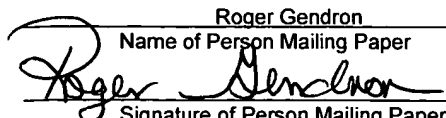
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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	A1	6,691,053 B2	02/10/2004	Quimby et al.	702	89	11/30/2001
	A2	2002/0033336 A1	03/21/2002	Liu et al.	204	450	06/06/2001
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	C1	Snyder, Lloyd R., et al., <u>Practical HPLC Method Development, Second Edition</u> , 1997, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., pp. 653-660
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